

LINDSBORG CITY COUNCIL

April 15, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rick Martin, Jodi Duncan, Corey Peterson, Becky Anderson, Blaine Heble, Betty Nelson, Ed Radatz

ABSENT:

Mark Friesen, David Higbee

OTHERS PRESENT:

Greg DuMars, Lucas Neece, Gary Shogren, Holly Lofton, Beth Ferguson, Chief Berggren, Larry Lindgren, Chris Lindholm, Roxie Sjogren, Bill Gusenius, Mark and Alex Grosland

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Becky Anderson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Four new benches were placed downtown.

Last Week was the beginning of the Messiah Festival and Jazz Walk. Kudos to several of people in the community like Linda Lewis, Jim Richardson and the actors who portrayed historical people. It was a magical afternoon of music and theater. There is the soloist concert on Tuesday, Good Friday is Bach's St. Matthew's Passion, an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday and Handel's Messiah on Sunday. Met with a gentleman from Sweden who will be coming back for Hyllningsfest. He is a Lutheran pastor, another great connection for Lindsborg. Sister City Committee met last week. How can we revive this committee? What are the opportunities for Lindsborg in renewing this relationship? Attended the Mayor's Conference last week hosted by the League of Kansas Municipalities.

Stephen Elliott, the consultant talking about the Old Mill, will be meeting with Council on May 6 during the study session. That meeting will be with the McPherson County Commission. Millfest is May 4-5 as well as the city-wide garage sale.

An Arbor Day Proclamation was read.

CONSENT AGENDA: Betty Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2019 regular council meeting, Payroll Ordinance 5166 and Purchase Order Ordinance 5167. Motion seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS:

Committee Appointments

Corey Peterson moved to approve the appointment of Jan Cambridge-Lewis to Planning and Zoning, Brianna Zimmerling to Design Review and Juan Redmon to Recreation. Seconded by Ed Radatz and passed unanimously.

PLANNING & ZONING: There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, April 16 at 7p regarding the addition of firearms sales in C3 and modification of the wireless tower rule.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

West Lincoln Curb and Gutter

There is part of one block and two intersections remaining to complete the curb & gutter portion of the West Lincoln Street project. Currently staff is working with Vogts-Parga to coordinate a time that would allow them to finish the small amount of work that is left. There are adequate funds still encumbered for the labor to Vogts-Parga. Estimates for the concrete fell a little short, thus the need for approval of additional concrete.

Betty Nelson moved to approve up to \$4,000 for additional concrete from McPherson Concrete for the West Lincoln Street curb & gutter project. Seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously.

EMS Uniforms

EMS would like to purchase jackets and shirts for the EMTs. Much of the uniform equipment has previously been purchased from Artshirt because they already have the screens to create the logo. Enclosed is a bid from Artshirt for 20 jackets and 20 shirts including the embroidery and silk screen costs. The enclosed bid from GSS Safety shows the same jacket and shirt without the embroidery and screen-printing costs. If the items from GSS Safety and Galls were purchased and we had them embroidered and screen-printed locally, the cost would be approximately the same.

Blaine Heble moved to purchase 20 jackets and 20 shirts including embroidery and screen printing from Artshirt at a total cost of \$2,988.50. Seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously.

Official Newspaper

Annually the City designates an official city newspaper. The Lindsborg News-Record has served as the official city newspaper for many years.

Ed Radatz moved to approve the Lindsborg News-Record as the official city newspaper for the City of Lindsborg. Seconded by Blaine and passed.

Official Depositories

Annually the City must name the official depositories for city funds. Staff recommends that the following financial institutions be named as official depositories:

- Peoples Bank and Trust
- Farmers State Bank
- First Bank Kansas
- Bank of Tescott
- Kansas Municipal Investment Pool

Rick Martin moved to approve Peoples Bank & Trust, Farmers State Bank, First Bank Kansas, Bank of Tescott and the Kansas Municipal Investment Pool as official depositories for City of Lindsborg funds. Seconded by Corey Peterson and passed.

Community Wellness/Recreation Center Feasibility Study

Requests for Proposals were solicited with a deadline for proposals of December 7, 2018. No proposals were received. Follow up with architectural firms showed that they don't perform the feasibility portion of the request. Due to the lack of proposals, the decision was made to pursue a feasibility study. Proposals were solicited and received from The Docking Institute at Fort Hays State University and the Hugo Wall School at Wichita State University. Those proposals were received in January 2019. At that point, it was determined to apply for a David J. Nutt grant through the McPherson County Community Foundation for \$25,000 to fund the feasibility study for a community wellness/recreation center. The grant request was awarded in the amount of \$25,000.

Costs for the feasibility study from the RFP's are listed below.

Docking Institute at Fort Hays State University – not to exceed \$25,000; to include 300 completed surveys and economic feasibility study.

Hugo Wall School of Public Affairs at Wichita State University - \$30,000

Rick Martin moved to approve the proposal from the Docking Institute at Fort Hays State University not to exceed \$25,000 to conduct a survey and economic feasibility study for a community wellness/recreation center. Seconded by Blaine Heble and passed unanimously.

Small Cell Wireless Design Guidelines Policy

The Federal Communications Commission issued regulations which would prevent municipalities from requiring franchises and regulating the small cell wireless installations in the public rights-of-way. These regulations currently are under a court ordered stay and lawsuits have been filed regarding these regulations by several national organizations. One piece of the regulations does allow municipalities to regulate the aesthetic standards of small cell wireless antennas and equipment.

Under FCC regulations, the small cell antenna can be up to 6 cubic feet and the associated equipment can be up to 28 cubic feet. The design guidelines would provide direction on how the antennas and equipment would be attached, the preferred locations for deployment and other aesthetic requirements. The FCC regulations specify that guidelines must be adopted by April 15, 2019. If guidelines are not adopted by that date, then they cannot be implemented later. The ***Small Cell Design Guidelines*** policy is attached.

Corey Peterson moved to approve the Small Cell Wireless Guidelines policy. Seconded by Ed Radatz and passed unanimously.

Renewable Energy Credits

The City has a purchase power agreement with the Buckeye Wind Farm. Wind energy receives renewable energy credits (RECs) which may be marketed.

- Buckeye Wind RECs are created in the NAR Registry each month and assigned a unique identification number
- The two main options for RECs are:
 - Sell
 - current market is believed to be in the \$0.50-\$0.60 per REC range
 - relinquish the environmental attributes (i.e., you can't claim to be x% green if you sell the RECs)
 - Retire
 - Retain the environmental attribute

- Allows your community the right to make a public claim about being ‘green’ or to satisfy a renewable energy portfolio goal you might have

- Retired RECs can’t be sold or claimed at a later date

- RECs can be sold forward (i.e., today you could sell all of your calendar year 2019 RECs)

The table below shows estimated **annual** revenue if sold all of the RECs based on a 40% capacity factor for Buckeye Wind and a \$0.50/REC net sale price (the market price fluctuates with supply and demand):

Buckeye Wind RECs			
	Contract Qty (MW)	Estimated Annual RECs @ 40% Capacity Factor	Estimated Annual REC Sale Revenue Assuming 40% Capacity Factor and \$0.50/REC Net Sale Price
Lindsborg	1.0	3,504.0	\$1,752

Betty Nelson moved to approve the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency to sell the vintage 2019 renewable energy credits from the Buckeye Wind Farm for the benefit of the City of Lindsborg. Seconded by Rick Martin and passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 01-19 Southwest Power Administration Hydropower

The City of Lindsborg receives a 300 kilowatt (KW) allocation of Federal hydropower from the Southwestern Power Administration (SWPA). This allocation of hydropower is secured through an agreement with the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency (KMEA). The current agreements are set to expire on May 31, 2019. Attached is an agreement with KMEA for another 15-year term for 300 KW from SWPA. Also attached is the parent agreement between KMEA and the SWPA.

Resolution No. 01-19 approves the agreement power supply agreement between the City of Lindsborg and KMEA for 300 KW, plus any supplemental energy from SWPA and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement.

Blaine Heble moved to approve Resolution No. 01-19 which approves the agreement between the City of Lindsborg and the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency for 300 KW of Southwestern Power Administration hydroelectric power and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement. Seconded by Betty Nelson and passed unanimously.

Community Stage Grant Award

A community group approached City Council at the December 17, 2018, meeting about the City of Lindsborg allowing a grant application to be submitted under the City’s name and that if successful, the City would accept ownership of the stage. A grant application was submitted to the David J. Nutt grant through the McPherson County Community Foundation in the amount of \$110,000 for the engineering and manufacture of a new stage. Design and manufacture of the stage would be completed by Dauer Welding and Machine. The grant application for a new community stage was successful and the City/CVB was awarded \$110,000 for the design and manufacture of the stage.

Rick Martin moved to approve up to \$110,000.00 to Dauer Welding & Machine for the design and manufacture of a community stage. Seconded by Ed Radatz and passed unanimously.

Executive Session:

Real Estate Purchase

Blaine Heble moved to go into executive session to discuss acquisitions of real estate pursuant to exception K.S.A. 75-4319(6) for 20 minutes and to include the City Administrator, Assistant City Administrator and City Attorney. The open meeting will resume at 7:51pm. Seconded by Rick Martin and passed.

OTHER:

From Greg DuMars: A tentative Council retreat agenda was distributed. An issue we are dealing with is general contractors not pulling permits. We currently do not license general contractors; we are discussing this. April 24 will be a meeting of the Strategic Alliance group. The director and lead teacher from Hilltop Child Development Center will remote in. It is the time of year we ramp up code enforcement. We need to schedule the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) meeting.

What is going on with the Brunswick? The new owners are aware of the code enforcement resolution.

ADJOURNMENT - Moved by Rick Martin, seconded by Blaine Heble and passed. Adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Roxie Sjogren
City Clerk